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Railfanning.org launches new Andrews Raid section

ATHENS, Ga. – Railfanning.org has dedicated a section of its Web site to The Andrews Raid of 1862, also known as The Great Locomotive Chase.

The site – <http://andrewsraid.railfanning.org/> – includes pictures from along the raid’s route and general information about the raid, which one Atlanta newspaper dubbed the “The Most Extraordinary and Astounding adventure of the War.”

On April 12, 1862, James J. Andrews and 19 Union spies stole a Confederate locomotive from Kennesaw, Ga., and planned to destroy the Western & Atlantic Railroad between Atlanta and Chattanooga, Tenn. The plan failed, and eight of the raiders were eventually hanged.

The new Railfanning.org site dedicated to The Andrews Raid also includes newspaper articles about the raid published in 1862, information about the men who participated in the raid and information about the locomotives that were used during the chase.

Railfanning.org launched in September 2002 and offers a variety of information about the railroad industry, major railroad companies and the rolling stock regularly seen on the rails today. The site also hosts a news wire of the latest railroad headlines.

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